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	5	Meguerdichian et al., "Coverage Problems in Wireless Ad-hoc Sensor Networks" IEEE Infocom 2001, vol. 3, pp 1380-1387, April 2001					
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